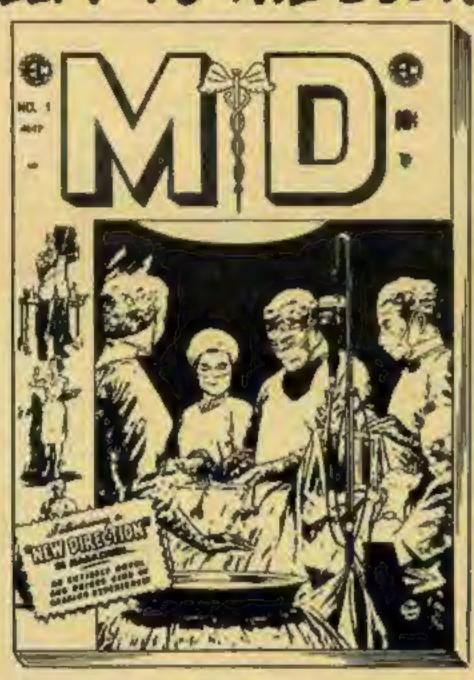
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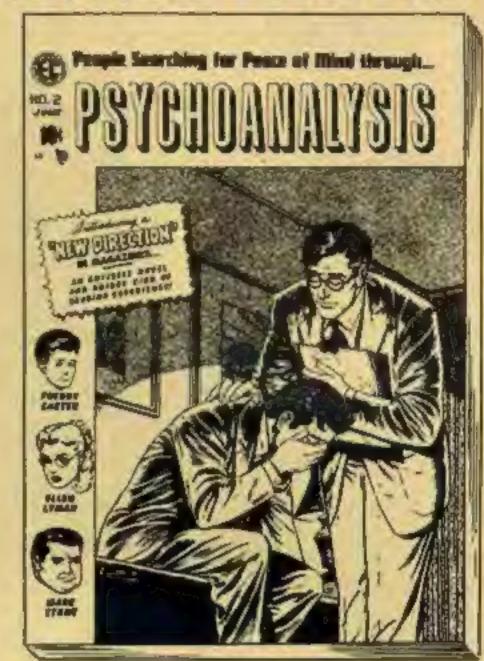
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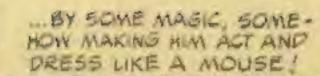
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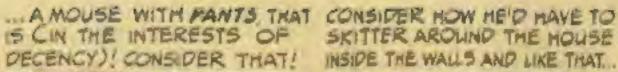
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very very very very very very important amouncement in the back of the book!

CONSIDER, IF YOU WILL, THE DEA OF TAKING A REGULAR NATURAL BORN MAN AND ...





SKITTER AROUND THE HOUSE INSIDE THE WALLS AND LIKE THAT ...







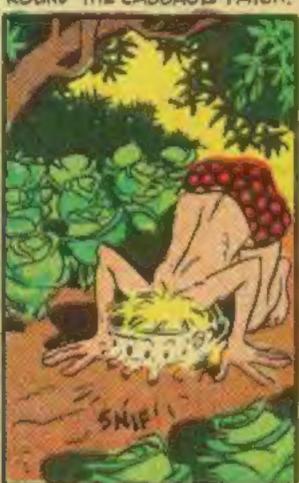
... AND CONSIDER A MAN WHO IS ACTING LIKE A DUCK WITH QUACKING INSTEAD OF TALKING!

...OR HOW'S ABOUT A MAN ACT- ...OR HOW'S ABOUT A MAN ACT-ING LIKE A RABBIT, SNIFFLING "ROUND THE CABBAGE PATCH!

ING LIKE A HOUND-DOG SCRATCH- ACTING LIKE A KANGAROO ... ING FLEAS WITH HIS FOOT!

... OR HOW'S ABOUT A MAN WITH MAYBE A POUCH!









... I MEAN IF YOU CONSIDER IT, IT COULD GET PRETTY DOPEY ... LIKE A MAN ACTING LIKE AN APE!

... OR SUPPOSEN A MAN ACTED LIKE A SKUNK ... COM-PLETE WITH ARMAMENT!

... THEN WHAT ABOUT IF HE ACTED LIKE AN ALLIGATOR SWIMMING AROUND A SWAMP.

... OR MAYBE A POSSUM WITH THE CHILDREN HANGING ON LIKE BABY 'POSSUMS ...









WHICH BRINGS US TO OUR STORY ...





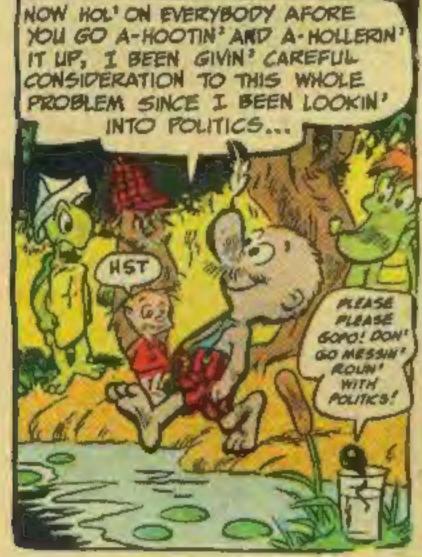












... AN' IT'S ALL VERY CLEAR TO ME THAT THE DOCTRINE OF STATES RIGHT EXPLAINS THIS WHOLE BLAMED THING! AS ANY FOOL CAN SEE, THE STATE LIKE THE INDIVIDUAL RESERVES SOVEREIGNTY...



FEDERAL LAW IN SOME CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH BRINGS ME TO
MY MAIN POINT WHICH IS...

IT WAS
PUFFIKLY LEGAL TO
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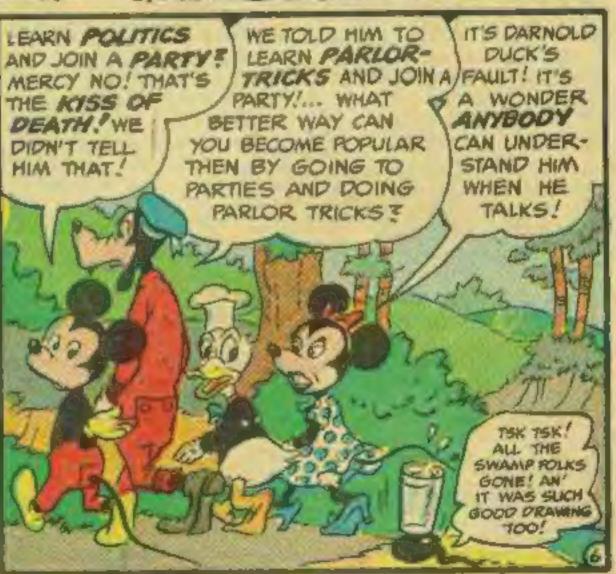














Dear Editors:

The plans illustrated in MAD #19 for a veebleletzer are very interesting. But one thing puzzles me. Does the veebleletzer described really fetz veebles?--Willie Stein-(no address given)

Your furshlugginer magazine is the best for doit-yourself articles. The one on the veeblefetzer was top-drawer material. As I was looking through an old Erector Set the other day, I found an old left-handed veeblefetzer. The only trouble was that the throttle arm was caked with Mahtosh. Do you think that I could clean it with some good-old Grocket Farsmellnik?— Jules Pisher—Norristown, Pa.

... My mom's fine. - Ed- (no address given)

... If you take the chronological corresponding numerical value of Potrzebie with A equal to 1, B to 2, C to 3, etc., Potrzebie adds up to 116. And if you subtract 9, which is the number of letters in Potrzebie, you get 107. This is how many times I've kicked myself for reading your furshlugginer magazine.—MAD Mathematics Major of Farshimmelt Tech.

... Referring to the #19 issue, the Puzzle Pages, best send your proofreader back to Buster Brown comics because in "What's Wrong With This Picture #19," it is the 125th and 127th that is two-headed.—Vermine P. Sneaker—Vladivostock, Siberia—P. S. Got my latest issue tipped to shreads in its "strong manifa envelope".

... What ever happened to the "strong manila envelopes" MAD used to come in. They now come in weak manila envelopes.—Vic Schwartz—New York, N.Y.

... My upper plate nearly fell out when I glommed that in issue #19, you had Einstein's equation written as $m = \frac{mo}{v}$ First of all, it is not Einstein's

equation, rather it is a consequence of the Lorentz Transformation. However, Einstein used this value for m in the equation E = m c', which leads me to my second point. The correct equation should read m =

 $\frac{mo}{[1-(v^2/c^2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ and not the way you printed it. Thirdly, this equation makes absolutely no reference to increase or decrease of size.—Jack Richlin—Purdue II. Inc.

hieroglyphics, one would necessarily, if he be in a circumspective frame of transcendental rationality, find it irrevocable that one, through pertinacity, ought to have the accendancy to imbibe knowledge in order to attain the sapience abrogated by such a status. If this is punctifious, such an entity would be abrogated and therefore could not exist. But due to man's lack of perception in these impending phenomena, we can perceive that the direct resultant is a fortuitous happening, stemming directly from the determinant. The ineptitude of the Homo-Sapien to contest such a pussiant force, as is the matter of such a hyperphysical power that is directly correlated to clairvoyance and metaphysics, can

be expressed in the formula: $E' + \frac{(M')}{(-V - C + M)3}$ = ONE MEATBALL—Charles Schramm—Long Island City, N. Y.

... From looking at your cover on issue #19, I gather that you didn't know that a race-horse is only allowed 14 letters for his name.—Richard Burns—Kingston, N. Y.

... Never let yourself come to the point that you leel your "new-trend" comics have had no effects on the American scene. Several of my fellow students here at the University of Kentucky have been requested by their English instructors to write themes on two subjects: Horror mags in general and MAD in particular. Don't give up the ghost.—Bill Tully—Lexington, Ky.

In your attempt to satirize the Super Market, I think you have done the industry an injustice. I do not and the experience of your character, Mr. Sturdley, in SUPERMARKET, (MAD #19) really funny, because it does not reflect the truth. Let me give you a lew facts. The Super Market started to serve the American public at the beginning of the depression when pennies meant so much to the average lamily. The Super Market opened up in old barns, in abandoned factories and garages, and gave our hard-pressed American people an opportunity to save in those days anywhere from 20% to 30% on their food. In the intervening years, the Super Market continued to grow. The old barns in which they originally opened up with shabby fixtures and barn-like almosphere, soon disappeared. Super Market operators gave Mrs. Consumer beautiful markets, shopping conveniences, a tremendous assortment of foods at the lowest possible price. They catered to her every possible whim and wish and looked out for her wellare by making the market a wonderful place for her to buy, while actually saving on her food dollars. Mrs. Consumer liked these markets so much that she kept coming in more frequently and in greater number. Today there are something like 341,000 retail food stores in America. There are only about 18,000 Super Markets in the United States, Representing about 5% of all the retail food stores, these Super Markets now serve America with over 50% of its loods. And in serving America with its foods, the Super Market is saving the consuming public at least 10% on her food dollar purchases. Not alone that, but the Super Markets maintain competition to the lowest price level. Each year, Mrs. Consumer saves approximately 2 billion or more dollars on her lood bill which she uses to buy other necessities. So you can see the Super Market is rendering a very definite and distinct service to the American public. The imagination used in your comic strip conveys the impression to your readers that the Super Market should be the last place that one should patronize. And you end up by having your hero go back to Mr. Furd's grocery store where the customer can "squeeze the rolls to see if they're fresh." What you are asking is that they go back, virtually, to the gaslight era. I do not mean that the corner grocer has no place in lood retailing; but if he has not emulated the Super Market in introducing the new elliciencies and economies that have developed, he is not rendering a service to the public. We believe you have been uniait to a great industry which has served the public well, and it would be only just to present the Super Market to your readers in the proper light.-M. M. Zimmerman, publisher Super Market Merchandising-New York, N. Y.

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CLICHE DEPT.: SAY... YOU KNOW HOW IN MOVIES, T.V., ETC., YOU GET TO SEEING THE SAME IDEA. THE SAME SCENE. OVER AND OVER AGAIN?.. AND YOU KNOW HOW YOU WISH THEY DID SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR A CHANGE? THAT'S THIS FEATURE! FIRST WE'RE GOING TO SHOW SCENES WE ALWAYS SEE! THEN WE SHOW THEM AGAIN WITH LITTLE NAUSEATING CHANGES SO THEY'RE...

SCENES WE'D...

WE TO

TO SEE!

FORINSTANCE, TAKE PEOPLE KISSING !.. DID YOU EVER SEE PEOPLE WHO WERE KISSING ... I MEAN REAL NECKING KISSING? AFTER REAL NECKING KISSING, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU JUST BEEN HIT IN THE MOUTH WITH A ROTTEN TOMATO! BUT 00 THEY SHOW IT THAT WAY IN MOVIES! NEVER! WHAT THEY DO IS THEY HAVE THIS GORGEOUS BLONDE, PERFECT IN EVERY DETAIL, AND ... WELL, ON THIS HALF OF THE PAGE IS WHAT HAPPENS IN THE KISSING SCENE.



...AND HERE'S
THE KISSINGSCENE THE
WAY WE'D
LIKE TO
SEE IT!



















...THEN HOW'S ABOUT THE FENCING - SCENE!... HERE 5 THIS DIRTY-RAT COUNT ... OR DUKE ... OR WICKED . UNCLE MAYBE, IN THE OLD. EN DAYS, WHO WINS THROUGH THE WHOLE PICTURE! BUT IN THE END THE HERO ESCAPES FROM THE DUN-GEON AND FREES THE PEASANTS WHO STORM THE CASTLE AND OVERPOWER THE BAD SOLDIERS! MEANWHILE THE HERO CLIMBS THROUGH THE WINDOW TO RESCUE THE GIRL, A GORGEOUS BLONDE, WHERE HE COMES FACE TO FACE WITH THE BAD GUY IN A ROOM WITH PLENTY OF STEPS AND STUFF TO DUEL AROUND ON! SO HERE GOES THE FENCING - SCENE ...











BACK, SN RDINGBASH !.. YOU



WHAT A NO-

NOW











...AND HERE'S
THE FENCINGSCENE THE
WAY WE'D
LIKE TO
SEE IT!











BACK, SN RDINGBASH !.. YOU













... THEN HOW'S ABOUT THE MANAGEMENT (COM) HERE'S THIS FORT, SEE ? ... SURROUNDED BY INDIANS, SEE? HORRIBLE, NAUSEATING INDIANS! INSIDE ARE THE COURAGEOUS SETTLERS AND A GORGEOUS BLONDE COLONEL'S DAUGHTER ... SEE? TIME AND TIME AGAIN, MESSENGERS HAVE TRIED TO GET THROUGH TO THE ARMY GARRISON FOR HELP AND HAVE FAILED! FINALLY, THE HERO, LANCE STERLING TAKES A CRACK AT IT! WILL HE DO IT'S WILL HE GET THROUGHT WILL HE REACH THE ARMY? ... ARE YOU KIDDING! OF COURSE HE WILL! ANYHOW ... HERE'S THE WAY THE SURROUNDED-PORT SCENE GOES













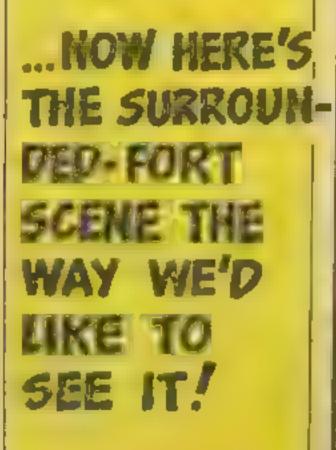






























... THAT CLOUD OF DUST!

.. THOSE THURERING HOOF





... NEXT, HOW'S ABOUT THE ESCAPE-FROM-THE-NAZIS SCENE !... YOU KNOW! THIS 0 55 AGENT PARACHUTES INTO FRANCE!... CONTACTS FRENCH UNDERGROUND AGENT. A GORGEOUS BRUNETTE! ... THEY GOT THIS HERE OLD NUCLEAR PHYSICIST THEY'VE GOT TO SMUGGLE OUT SO'S THE NAZIS WON'T LEARN THE SECRET OF THE ATOM BOMS AND WIN WAR BEFORE WE DO! FOLLOW? SO THIS SCENE IS CLIMAX WHERE BRITISH PLANE IS LANDING IN SECRET COW-PASTURE AND O SS. MAN, NUCLEAR PHYSICIST, AND GORGEOUS BRUNEFIE SQUOOSH TO MEET IT ... THE ESCAPE-FROM-THE NAZIS SCENE!











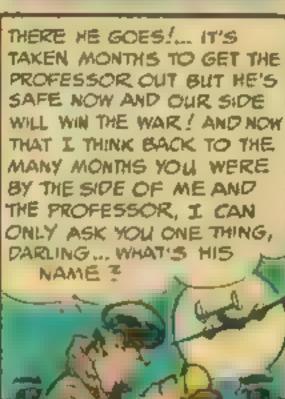












THE ESCAPEFROM - THE
NAZIS
SCENE THE
WAY WE'D
LIKE TO
SEE IT.

















UH-OH THERE N THE SHADOWS







LISTEN! MAYBE YOU AIN'T SEEN ANY OF WHAT WE RE TALK NO ABOUT! . BUT THIS NEXT SCENE WE GUARANTEE! . HOW 5 ABOUT THE SCENE ALWAYS AT THE END OF THE DETECTIVE PICTURE WHERE THE GOOD GUY SHOOP NG AROUND WITH HS GRL A GORGEOUS RED-HEAD. IS CAUGHT BY THE BAD GUYS SO NOW THEY RE GETTING READY TO BUMP HIM OFF! YOU DON'T KNOW WHO THE MAIN CROOK 15 ... YOU DON'T KNOW THE MOTIVES ... THEY'RE GETTING READY TO BUMP HIM OFF . NATURALLY ... THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS ... IN THE ABOUT-TO-BUMP-HIM-OFF E ..









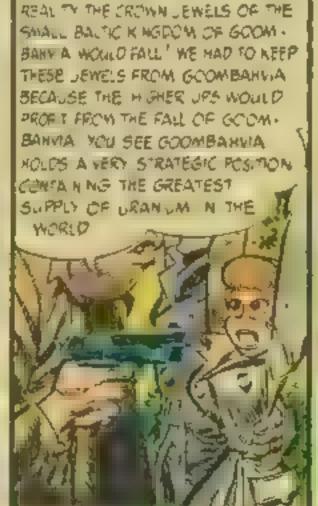






YOU SEE JOE FURD KNEW TOO
MUCH!...HE WAS AN IMMODENT POSTOFFICE CLERK WHO ACC DENTALLY INSPECTED A PACKAGE CONTAINING A
KEY TO A LOCKER IN GRAND CENTRAL
STATION! THIS LOCKER CONTAINED A
FORTUNE IN JEWELS THAT ALL OF
GANGLAND WAS AFTER! A TERRIFIC
GANG WAR ENSUED THEREAFTER
AND THE GEMS WOUND UP IN THE
FAR EAST, STOLEN BY AN INTER-





FOR YOU SEE THESE GEMS WERE N

THAT'S WHY OUR BOSS IS AFTER SOOMBANIA! FOR WITH GOOMBANIA! FOR WITH GOOMBANIA ONE, THE REST OF THE BALTIC MATIONS WOULD FALL IN LINE AND SOON ALL OF EUROPE AND THE REST OF THE WORLD! AND NOW I'LL TELL YOU WHO THE BIG BOSS IS! WHY NOT? EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE TAKING SHORT-HAND NOTES, YOU WON'T LIVE TO TELL THE POLICE ANYHOW! YES YOU GUESSED IT... THE BIG BOSS IS GEORG! MALENKOV!















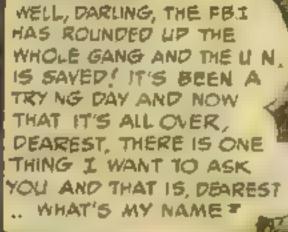






LANCE! LANCE! WE GOT

YOUR MESSAGE YOU CLEVER-





MERE'S THE
ABOUT-TO
BUMP-HIMOFF SCENE
THE WAY
WE'D LIKE
TO SEE IT!





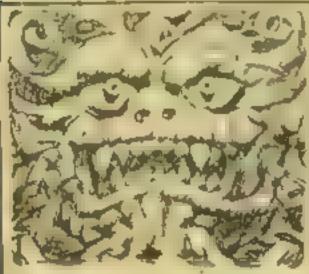
NEWSPAPER CARTOON DEPT! THEN HERE'S THAT FEATURE YOU ALL KNOW AND LOVE .. BUT IF YOU THINK IT'S INTERESTING NOW .. YOU SHOULD'YE SEEN IT IN THE OLD DAYS! YOU OLD-TIMERS KNOW WHAT WE MEAN!... REMEMBER WHEN THEY FIRST STARTED PRINTING IT !. MEMBER, YOU OLD TIMERS ! IT WAS REAL QUEER .. REAL WEIRD REAL EUCHHNHH! ... YOU KNOW ... LIKE PEOPLE WHO READ MAD!. 'MEMBER, YOU BUSTED-DOWN OLD-TIMERS YOU? .. OF COURSE, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ... OF COURSE,

Believe/tor/on't/



THE HUMAN PINCUSHION

GUNG GOHOME, Hindu Ascetic, WALKED IN THE HOT SUN with 50 sharp spear-like pins embedded in his flesh - to make pennance - to punish self - but mainly to help wife who was sewing new veil and needed pin-cushion!



SYMBOL OF DEATH!

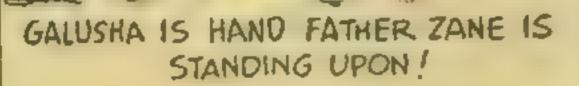
SACRED SOUTH AMERICAN INDIAN SYMBOL, WHEN GAZED UPON, CAUSES DEATH WITHIN THE YEAR! Too had if You looked.



THE TALLEST MAN IN THE WORLD-

GALUSHA STURDLEY

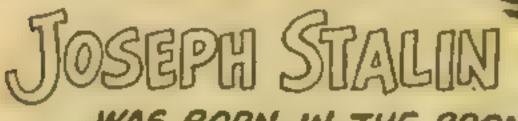
of Poontang, O, is the tallest man in the world.
Note size of hand
(figure on left is not Galusha but his father, Zane Sturdley)



Rumming

""MEMBER THAN THE WAY HE'D SHOW A GUY WHO COULD STICK HIS ELBOW IN HIS EART. OR THE GUY WHO HANGS BY HIS EYEBALLS". OR THE GUY WHO COULD STICK HIS ELBOW IN HIS EYEBALLS WHILE HANGING BY HIS EART BUT MAINLY HE'D DIG UP THESE UNBELIEVABLE FACTS YOU O NEVER BELIEVE IN A MILLION YEARS... FULLY AUTHENTICATED, FULLY DOCUMENTED, AND APPROVED BY PARENTS MAGAZINE... LIKE FORINSTANCE...

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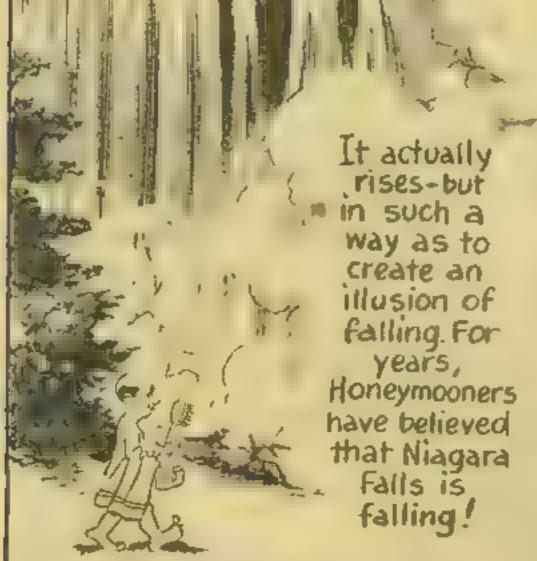


WAS BORN IN THE BRONX!

HE WORKED HIS WAY THROUGH COLLEGE
SELLING MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS,
AND THEN WENT WEST TO BE A COWBOY
BEFORE HE CROSSED THE OCEAN
AND BECAME DICTATOR OF

RUSSIA!

NIAGARA FALLS DOES MOT FALL!



THE EARTH HAS 10 YEARS TO LIVE!

A comet is heading DIRECTLY TOWARDS EARTH and is due to smash it into oblivion in APRIL, 1955!

5+3-2=7248

FIRE IS A LIQUID!

Rrurrip

... MEMBER !... BUT THAT WAS YEARS AGO, AS YOU OLD-TIMERS . YOU BUSTED DOWN RACKETTY OLD-TIMERS REMEMBER! MEANWHILE, R PUP IS FOR MANY YEARS, GONE FROM THE SCENE! NEVERTHELESS, BELIEVE IT OR DON'T CONTINUES ... BUT SOMEHOW, IT'S NOT THE SAME! SOMEHOW, SOMEWHERE, SOMETIME SOMEHOW ... SOMEWHERE, IT IS DIFFERENT! THE EUCHMH IS GONE! YOU SEE ., EUCHMH HAS BEEN REPLACED BY YECHHH! ... LIKE FORINSTANCE

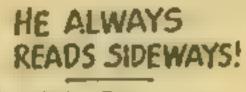
Ripup's -- Believe It or Don't!



RENFREW ZETS FELL FROM A 50 STORY WINDOW-

AND LIVED!

Fortunately, there was a fire escape outside the window.



Eddie Ptyng reads his Chinese language newspaper up to down instead of left to right!



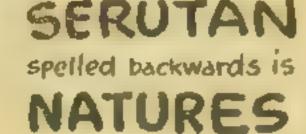
CALF BORN WITH LETTER 'O'! A calf owned by Elmer Smurd was born with the letter

'O' on its side - or it might have been a 'Q'- or it could even be a face—then again it could be a crooked egg -



OPTICAL ILLUSION

sent in by Robert Hall JACKET SEEMS TO TURN INSIDE - OUT, YET STAYS OUTSIDE-IN AND VISA-VERSA! (And why not? It's a reversible!)





HOLLYWOOD DEPT. THE 19 THE STORY ABOUT A WOMAN, INSE STORY OF THE SUCCESS HIT BEAUTY DROUGHT HER.
HECAUSE SHE WANTED TO PRESERVE AN HOMENT PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE. DECAUSE AND MANTED TO PRESERVE AN HOMENT PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE. DECAUSE ANALYSIS IN THE MAD CORNS.

THE BARFAULT AND AUTOMATERS AND A SECOND ASSECTION ASSECT



starring LASS



PLUS A CAST OF PLASTER

TOTAL PAYE







MY NAME IS HARRY DRAWERS! IM STANDING IN THE
RAN IN A CEMETERY IN ITALY... MY HEART FILLED
WITH GREF!... YES FILLED WITH GRIEF AND DESPAIR
FOR YOU SEE... I FORGOT TO WEAR MY RUBBERS!





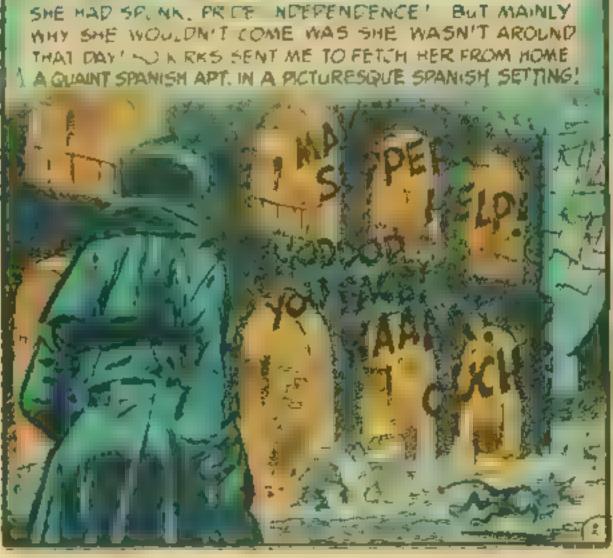




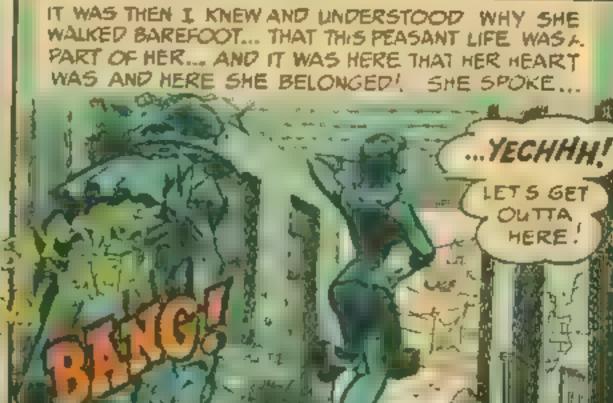
I WAS WITH EDWARD KIRKS, PRO-

DILLER AND OSCAR BUFFOLIN, PLB-





THE QUAINT SHRIEKING OF HER EVER-LOVING PEASANT FAMILY REACHED ME AS THE DOOR OPENED! SHE STOOD THERE, AND AS I GAZED UPON HER BEAUTY, I WAS STRUCK DUMB! YES! BY A WHITZING BAG OF GARBASE!

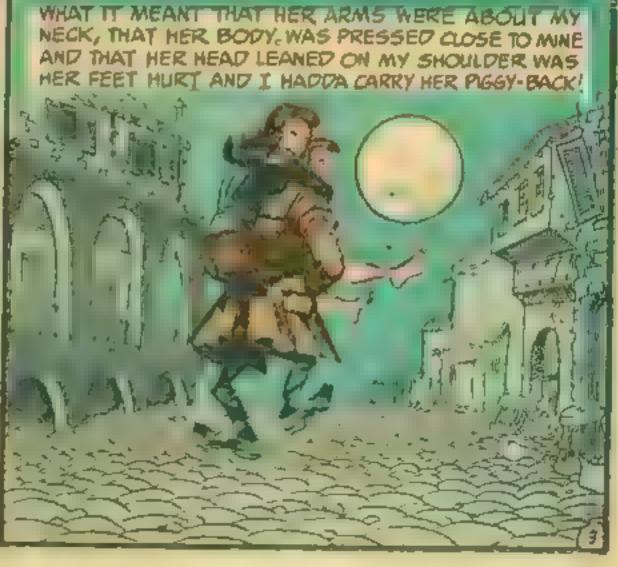














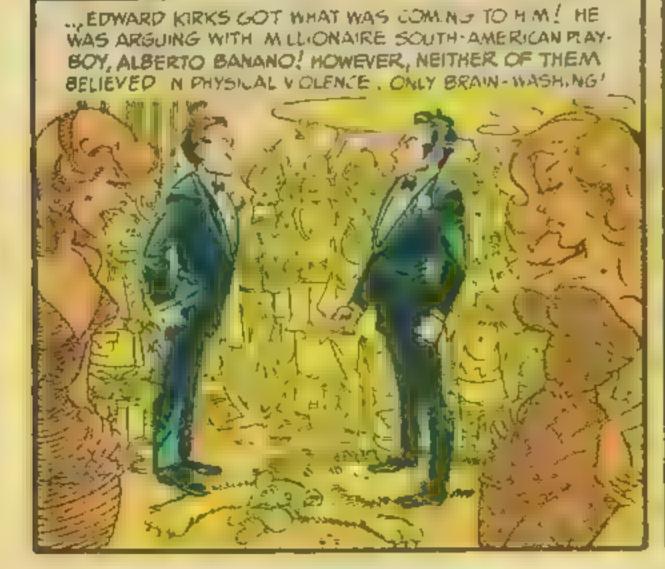


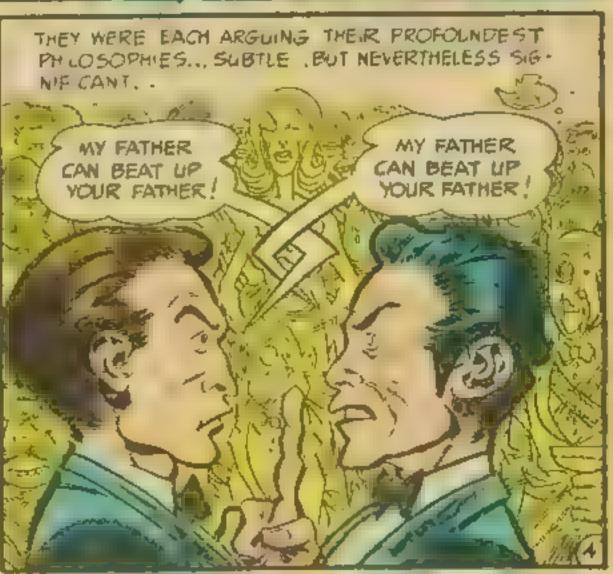




























SENOR ALBERTO BANANO TURNED ANGRILY ON HIS HEEL AND LEFT! AND WE .. BLFFOON, 'BAREFOOT' AND MYSELF... LEFT WITH HIM! ... WE WERE NO LONGER AFRAID OF EDWARD KIRKS, 50 WE LEFT!



WASN T EVERYTHING!... WE SUDDENLY SAW EDWARD KIRKS
FOR WHAT HE WAS!. WE SUDDENLY PERCEIVED THE
TRUTH OF THE MATTER ... A POLICEMAN IS BETTER!

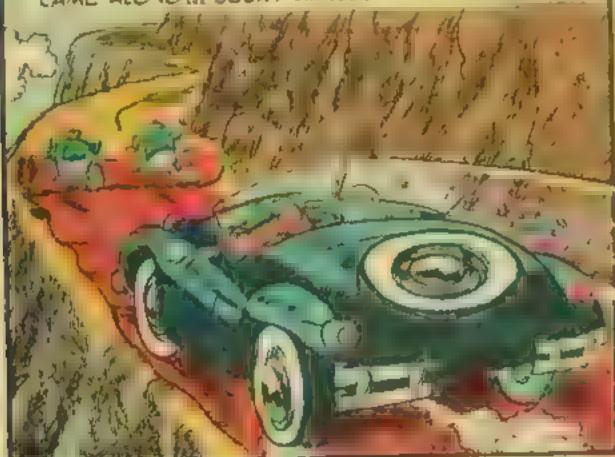
YES .. WE LEFT BECAUSE WE SUDDENLY REALIZED MONEY







ACTUALLY SHE WAS EVER SEEKING A PRINCE-CHARMING WHO WAS ALSO HONEST SIMPLE, BASIC, DOWN - TO-EARTH BUT MAINLY FILTHY-RICH! AND ONE DAY HE CAME ALONG ... COUNT VINCENZO-TORLATO-PIZZARIA!



THE 'BAREFOOT' WAS PANCING IN A FIELD AMID A BUNCH OF HONEST, SIMPLE, BASIC, DOWN-TO-EARTH LOUSY PEASANT SKUNK-FARMER GYPSIES! THE COUNT STOPPED THE CAR OBEY-NG A MYSTERIOUS INEXPLICABLE FORCE, NAMELY HER SHAPE!



.. AND THE MOMENT THEIR EYES MET ... THEY KNEW THEY WERE MEANT FOR EACH OTHER ... EVEN THOUGH SHE COULD ONLY SEE ONE EYE



AND HE COULD ONLY SEE THE SIDE OF ONE EYE., YOU KNOW HOW IT IS HOW SOME ENCHANTED EVENING, YOU WILL SEE A STRANGER.,



A CROWDED ROOM ... THEN PLY TO HER SIDE, AND MAKE HER YOUR OWN ... HEY!
WAIT A MUNUTE! WRONG STORY!



STRANGE THE WORK NOS OF PATE TAXING TWO PEOPLE A THOUGAND MILES APART AND BRINGING THE RIPATAS TOGETHER WITH AN INVISION OF A MAGNET



YES STRANGE MUN OF ALL THE YIEN N THIS IT DRUD
SHE CAME STRAIGHT TO HIM LINE AN IKUN FILL NOT
LEV' STRAIGHT TO COUNT VINLENUD TORIATE PIZZE
RIA YOU SAY? NAAH! STRAIGHT TO MELVIN COINOMAN

HOWEVER, EVENTUALLY SHE CAME TO COUNT VINCENZO - TORLATO -PIZZERIA... TO COUNT HIS MONEY THAT IS... THEY WERE MARRIED!



N HER LIFE, TROUBLE AROSE ... NAMELY HE KILLED HER! THIS TIME HER TROUBLE LOOKED SERIOUS!



PROBABLY IN A FIT OF JEALOUSY ! ... AH THE BURIAL IS OVER! THERE'S THE COUNT NOW ...

LISTEN, HARRY DRAWERS.

I BEEN LISTENING TO
YOUR NARRATION
FLOATING IN THE AIR
THERE...



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We're expanding MAD into a regular big 25c magazine with pictures, printed lettering, covers, and everything, gang. Boy, what exciting plans. Are we excited. Mainly since this may put us out of business, we're sick to our stomachs with excitement. Exciting plans are now under way to turn MAD into a regular large-sized adult magazine. For the past two years now, MAD has been dulling the senses of the country's youth. Now we get to work on the adults. As yet, we haven't determined our publication date, but the new MAD should be on the stands within 3 months. Now if each one of you good-old loyal MAD readers gets your parents to go out and buy 150 copies of the New MAD when it appears, we are bound to be a success. We know you'll do this little favor for us, eh, loyal readers?

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